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12 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**
13 **DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

14 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
15 Plaintiff,

16 WALKER RIVER PAIUTE TRIBE,
17 Plaintiff-Intervenor,

18 v.

19 WALKER RIVER IRRIGATION
20 DISTRICT, *et al.*
21 Defendants.

Case Nos. 3:73-CV-00125-RCJ-WGC;
3:73-CV-00127-RCJ-WGC; and 3:73-
CV-00128-RCJ-WGC

IN EQUITY NO. C-125 (including
subproceedings C-125-B and C-125-C)

**DEFENDANT COUNTY OF
MONO'S NOTICE OF CHANGE IN
HANDLING ATTORNEY**

22 MINERAL COUNTY,
23 Plaintiff-Intervenor,

24 v.

25 WALKER RIVER IRRIGATION
26 DISTRICT, *et al.*
27 Defendants.

28 TO THE HONORABLE COURT, ALL PARTIES, AND THEIR ATTORNEYS
OF RECORD:

1 PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that, effective January 23, 2017, Stephen M. Kerins
2 (California State Bar number 272879, admitted *pro hac vice*) will no longer serve as
3 attorney of record for Defendant COUNTY OF MONO ("Mono County") in the above-
4 referenced litigation due to Mr. Kerins's departure from the Mono County Counsel's
5 Office effective that date. Mono County Counsel Stacey Simon (California State Bar
6 number 203987, admitted *pro hac vice*) will continue to serve as counsel of record for
7 Mono County. Custody of Mr. Kerins's case files and related documents will be
8 transferred to Ms. Simon. Mono County respectfully requests that this Court remove Mr.
9 Kerins as its attorney of record, and that Mr. Kerins be removed from all service lists in
10 this matter. Mono County regrets any inconvenience to the Court and the parties.

11 While this Notice does not appear to require the formalities of a withdrawal or
12 stipulated substitution of attorneys under LR IA 11-6 due to Ms. Simon's ongoing
13 representation of Mono County, in an abundance of caution, Ms. Simon and Mr. Kerins
14 have nonetheless both authorized their electronic signatures on this document. It is further
15 respectfully requested that the Court dispense with any client signature requirement due to
16 the nature of legal representation provided by the Office of the Mono County Counsel.
17 (*See* Cal. Gov. Code §§ 26521; 27642; 26529(a) [generally addressing County Counsel's
18 responsibilities, including defense of lawsuits]; *see also* Mono County Code § 2.78.010 *et*
19 *seq.*)

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1 Dated: January 26, 2017

Respectfully submitted,
STACEY SIMON, Mono County Counsel

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15 By: s/ Stephen M. Kerins
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DECLARATION OF SERVICE BY EMAIL AND U.S. MAIL

Case Name: United States of America; Walker River Paiute tribe v Walker River Irrigation District

Case No. : 3:73-CV-00125-RCJ-WGC

I hereby certify that I am an employee of the Office of the County Counsel of Mono County and that on the 26th day of January, 2017 I electronically filed the foregoing with the clerk of the Court using the CM/ECF system, which will send notification of such filing to parties of record via their email addresses:

DEFENDANT COUNTY OF MONO'S NOTICE OF CHANGE IN HANDLING ATTORNEY

I further certify that on the same day, I deposited in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, a true and correct copy of the foregoing in an envelope addressed to

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